

SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Brendan P. Crighton

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to cannabis for Medicare eligible patients.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Brendan P. Crighton

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Third Essex

SENATE No.

By Mr. Crighton, a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Brendan P. Crighton for legislation relative to cannabis for Medicare eligible patients. Financial Services.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)**

An Act relative to cannabis for Medicare eligible patients.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law, a health care provider
2 certifying a patient over the age of 65 in accordance with Section 1 of Chapter 94I of the
3 Massachusetts General Laws may be eligible for reimbursement for such certification by
4 qualifying health plans regulated under Chapters 32A, 175, 176A, 176B and 176G.

5 SECTION 2. Health plans may include cannabis for medical use, as defined in Section 1
6 of Chapter 94I of the Massachusetts General Laws in their formulary, for patients over the age of
7 65 subject to its inclusion on Schedule II, Schedule III, Schedule IV, Schedule V, or Schedule VI
8 of the Drug Control Program within the Department of Public Health.